

WESTERN ONTARIO NEWS

DANGEROUS FIRE
AT BRANTFORD

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Out Into the Zero
Weather.

BLAZE AT INGERSOLL

Sixty Thousand Dollars' Damage Done
by a Conflagration at Golden City
in the Cobalt.

Brantford, Jan. 7.—Fifteen families were driven out here on Saturday night by fire which broke out in the A. B. Wilkie tenement house, Dalhousie street. The fire, which originated from a defective gas stove, spread rapidly and destroyed the rear of the house. It also threatened Almas' livery stable, and the Mickleby lumber yards, but was checked in time. Both firemen and police had great difficulty in rescuing the tenants from the burning building, which is a frame structure three stories high and irregularly built, forming a fire trap. Fortunately the fire was discovered at 9 o'clock. Had it been later there would have been many lives lost. Loss \$15,000, covered by insurance.

Horses Burned.
Port Colborne, Jan. 7.—Fire yesterday afternoon almost completely destroyed the stables in connection with the Cronmiller & White Brewing Company, along with four valuable horses, which were estimated to be worth one thousand dollars. One team belonged to Mr. Rhora, a farmer from near Bethel, who had left them there to feed. The other team was owned by the brewery. The fire is supposed to have originated from two electric wires coming crossed, and the building was a mass of flames before being discovered. The firemen, despite being handicapped by below-zero weather, quickly had the fire under control. The loss on the building is estimated to be about one thousand dollars and it was insured. There was no insurance on the horses.

Fire at Ingersoll.
Ingersoll, Jan. 7.—The family of Jas. Youngs, Carnegie street, were driven out of their house by fire about 11 o'clock this morning, and the firemen had a trying experience, with the temperature almost at zero. The fire originated from a torch which was being used to thaw out frozen water pipes, and the building was almost destroyed. The flames had made considerable headway before being discovered. Most of the contents were saved.

Another at Golden City.
Cobalt, Jan. 7.—Gibson Bros' general store, Golden City, was destroyed by fire at 3:30 on Saturday morning. Loss \$60,000, insurance \$8,000. There was no water protection in 45 below zero weather, and the volunteer firemen had difficulty in coping with the flames. Twenty cases of dynamite exploded in the fire, and the gasoline and ammunition also gave trouble. No one was injured. This is Golden City's fourth fire in ten days.

SUTHERLAND—GIBSON

Pretty Wedding Was Solemnized at
Home of Mr. D. Sutherland.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sutherland, when their daughter, Miss Anna Belle, was married to Mr. George Gibson, of Glenora.

The bride looked charming in a gown of Ivory Marquette trimmed with Irish lace and pearls. The bride entered the parlor amid the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Miss Hilda Smith. She was given away by her brother, Mr. James Sutherland. Miss Kate Jessop was the bridesmaid and Mr. Elmer Atwell attended the groom. Mr. Mathewson, of Embro performed the ceremony. After the wedding a dainty wedding supper was served in the dining-room which was tastefully decorated in pink and white.

The number of guests present from Saskatchewan, Detroit, Fingal, St. Thomas and Woodstock.

The groom's gift to the bride was a set of pink furs, to the bride a pearl brooch and to the groomsmen a pearl tie pin. Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland left for eastern points.

TAVISTOCK.

Tavistock, Jan. 6.—Mr. J. G. Field is seriously ill at his home here.

Miss L. Kaebfleisch has returned from a visit with friends in Spokane.

Mr. D. Studer has gone to Berlin to become traveller for a firm there.

Mrs. J. J. Walters, of Berlin, was a recent guest of Mrs. L. A. McTavish.

Mr. Henry Oles has gone to Bright, where he will work for the G. T. R.

HEAVY LOSSES CAUSED

BY BLAZE AT TORONTO

One Hundred Thousand Dollar
Damage Done By Saturday
Evening Conflagration.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—The warehouse building of the Boyd-Brummell Company, 11 Wellington street west, was completely gutted by a spectacular fire on Saturday evening, which caused damage to the property and stock of wholesale fancy goods estimated by Mr. John Boyd at \$100,000.

The drygoods stock in the adjoining warehouse of Robinson & Co. was depreciated by water, probably to the extent of \$20,000; and smaller losses were sustained in the flooding of the Merchants' Bank, 13, and the Fowke-Singer Company, 7 Wellington street west. The fire originated in the ground floor rear of the Boyd-Brummell establishment, the cause being unknown.

Through the Mediation of Sir George Askwith a Settlement Will Be Reached.

Manchester, Jan. 8.—Unless the unforeseen happens, the struggle in the cotton goods trade is over, and a settlement may be expected today.

The trouble started over the refusal of a man named Riley and his wife and another woman to join a local union at Acerrington. The union ordered a strike unless they applied for membership and the masters replied by locking out all the hands. A general lockout involving 160,000 persons then followed and the mills have been shut down since Dec. 27. Sir George Askwith, who is noted as a settler of labor disputes, has been on the ground for the last week, trying to bring the employers and men to an understanding.

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PERTH POULTRY SHOW
OPENS ON TUESDAY

Will Be Held at Mitchell and
Entries Are Unusually
Numerous.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Mitchell, Jan. 8.—The arrangements are all completed for the Perth County Poultry and Pet Stock show, which will open here tomorrow and continue until Thursday. The entries are very numerous and it is expected that the show will far surpass any previous exhibitions. There is a splendid prize list.

Mrs. Robert Chown, of London, has returned to her home after visiting with her father, Mr. William Thorne, here.

Mrs. W. R. Bell, of Collingwood, recent guest of Rev. and Mrs. Kinmer, has returned to her home.

Mr. Charles Coppin, formerly of Logan Township, now of Kamsach, Sask., is holidaying here.

The regular meeting of the Women's Institute will be held today in Trinity Church. Mrs. McTavish will discuss "The Responsibility of Parents."

J. A. Hart, of Filmore, Sask., will spend the winter here.

GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. James Coleman Highly
Honored by Relatives and Friends.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Falchbridge, Jan. 6.—A pleasant event took place at the home of Mrs. William Patrick in honor of the golden wedding of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Coleman. The event took place in the presence of the family, grandchildren and neighbors. The wedding dinner was served in the dining-room which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. After the dinner the guests were given by several of those present. The toast of "The Bride and Groom of Fifty Years Ago" was given by the youngest son, Mr. Ernest Coleman, of Drumbo. "Our Parents" was aptly responded to by Mr. George Coleman, of Berlin, and "The Host and Hostess" by Mr. Robert Coleman, of New Hamburg. Speeches signifying the high esteem in which the bride and groom are held as neighbors, friends and parents were given. Many valuable gifts further marked the esteem in which the old couple are held.

SHOOTING ACCIDENT.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Wallaceburg, Jan. 8.—Mrs. William Hinnegan, of Wallaceburg, was shot through the foot and slightly injured, when a revolver in her husband's pocket discharged as she was taking the coat down.

PARKHILL.

Parkhill, Jan. 6.—Mr. Ronald McKinnon, who spent a week at his home on the Centre Road, has returned.

Miss Mary McDonald, of Detroit, visited her father and mother recently.

Ronald O'Hanley, of Chicago, spent a few days with his father on the Centre Road.

Mr. A. P. McCormick, concession 14, of East Williams, left for Detroit.

BROTHERS INSTANTLY KILLED

AT NORTH GLENCOE CROSSING

Walter Smith, of London, and His Brother Henry, a Mosa
Township Farmer, Were Struck by Midnight C.P.R.
Flyer—Buggy Found on Front of Engine.

William Walter Smith, aged 39, of 95 Maitland street, employed as a griver at Ligon's bakery, and his brother Henry, aged 39, a farmer residing in Mosa Township, near Newbury, six miles from Glencoe, were instantly killed shortly after midnight on Sunday, when a Mosa buggy in which they were riding was struck at a level crossing by the westbound C. P. R. express, No. 17, en route from London to Detroit. Henry Smith was so horribly mangled that his remains were unrecognizable, and Walter had terrible injuries to the head. Walter Smith was to have been married in two weeks. His brother leaves a wife.

A short time ago a sister died in England, and Walter Smith left on Saturday evening for Glencoe, intending to spend Sunday with his brother, and discuss arrangements for bringing out another sister, who lives in England. He was met at the station, and they were driving out to Henry's home in Mosa, when the fatality happened.

Henry had received a letter, and at once asked Walter to come up and talk the matter over.

As a result of the limited being two hours late it was nearly midnight when the brothers met, and at once started from Glencoe for William's home. The C. P. R. crossing is about two miles north of Glencoe, and it is supposed that the men, having their coat collars turned up well to protect

them from the intense cold, did not hear the approaching express. It was not until Engineer Rodwell, of this city, who was in the cab of the engine drawing the midnight C. P. R. express, noticed a part of the buggy on the front of the engine, when he was about two miles past Glencoe that he was aware that an accident had occurred. He backed up immediately, and discovered both men lying dead some distance from the tracks. The horse lay in the snow near them, also dead.

As quickly as possible Coroner Walker, of Glencoe, was notified, and took charge of the remains until they could be removed.

Walter Smith was well known in London. He was a sergeant in the Seventh Bugle Band, and a member of Court Magnolia, A. O. F., and British Oak Lodge of the Sons of England. Prior to going with his brother's bakery as driver, he had been with the Currier bakery. He resided with Mr. Dan Cameron, of the postoffice staff at 95 Maitland street. The remains were brought to Messrs. Smith, Son & Clarke's undertaking rooms today.

No inquest will be held.

Mrs. Henry Smith had started to go to Glencoe with her husband, but owing to the intense cold stopped off at a settler's house near the crossing, waiting for Smith's return. When informed of the fatality she was completely prostrated.

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A WAR STAFF FOR
THE BRITISH NAVY

First Lord of the Admiralty
Churchill Makes an Important
Announcement.

"BRAINS" OF THE NAVY

An Advisory Board of Experts That
Will Not Have Executive Powers
—Trowbridge Made Chief.

London, Jan. 7.—The First Lord of the Admiralty, the Right Hon. Winston Churchill, has made further important changes to those initiated in November last, when Admiral Sir Francis Bridgeman, Vice-Admiral Prince Louis of Battenberg, and Captain Wm. C. Pakenham became First, Second and Fourth Sea Lords, respectively. An admiralty memorandum issued today completes the naval reorganization by the creation of a naval war staff, of which Admiral Ernest Trowbridge, heretofore private secretary of the First Lord of the Admiralty, becomes chief.

Sir Francis J. S. Hopwood, formerly under-secretary of state for the colonies, who was on the staff of King George, then Prince of Wales, during his visit to Canada in 1908, is appointed an additional civil lord of the admiralty board. Rear-Admiral David Beatty, who in 1901 married Ethel Field, daughter of the late Marshall Field, of Chicago, succeeds Admiral Trowbridge in the secretaryship.

Capt. Geo. A. Ballard, of the battleship Britannia, and Capt. Thos. Jackson, assistant director of naval intelligence, have been appointed directors of the operations division and the intelligence division, respectively.

The Navy's "Brains."

Mr. Churchill, in a long explanatory statement, says that the war staff is to be the brain, applied continuously to scientific and speculative study of naval strategy and preparation, and will be organized from the existing elements in the three divisions—intelligence, operations and mobilization. These divisions will be combined under a flag officer as chief of staff. The war staff will have no executive authority. Its responsibilities will end with the tendering of advice to the first sea lord.

A complete list of the officers forming the staff, which will comprise most of the grades, will be promulgated soon.

Mr. Churchill further explains that the new civil lord will be a member of the staff of the navy, while there will be close co-operation between the naval staff and the war staff of the army.

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Pyramids of White, Mountains of Merchandise in
Ladies' Whitewear, Linens,
Cottons, Embroideries, Etc.

All Advantageously Priced in This
White Sale Event of 1912

It seemed almost impossible last January to improve our
White Sale of 1911. But we have done it!

Long before the time for this sale, preparations were being made. White Sale merchandise was gone over and scrutinized by experts, and every garment accepted stood the test when compared with the highest standard.

Thousands of women with a keen sense of values, plan, as a matter of course, to buy all their underclothes supplies during the January event. They know they will have to wait until another White Sale comes around before they can get anything nearly so good for so little money. Look at the gown pictured here, which is only one of scores of the garments specialized for this sale.

Gown (As Pictured) \$1.25

STYLE 316—Slip-over Gown with dainty yoke formed of embroidery insertion, 3/4 sleeve; neck and sleeve finished with linen lace. January Sale, postpaid to any address, special, \$1.25 Second Floor.

White Underskirt, 59c Cambric Drawers, 39c

Made of fine cambric, flounce of lawn with cluster of six tucks, and finished at bottom with Valenciennes lace insertion. January Sale, special, 59c. Excellent value in Cambric Drawers with "forch" insertion and lace, open or closed style, good quality cambric; sizes 23, 25 and 27. January Sale, special, pair 39c.

All goods ordered by mail returnable at our expense if not up to your expectation, and all post or express charges prepaid by us. A sample order will convince you that this store gives the quickest and most satisfactory mail order service in Canada.

Sale of Comforters Today

\$1.15, \$1.35, \$1.95 and \$2.85. Regular \$1.50 to \$4.00 lines. Fourth Floor.

Linens, Cottons, Towels, Towelling, in
January White Sale

Our counters are loaded with Linens and Cottons direct from the mills in England, Ireland and Scotland, contracted specially for January White Sale, which are now offered at prices possible only through the purchasing power of this store. Buying in wholesale quantities direct from the makers places values on our counters that would otherwise be impossible to obtain. Here are a few of the many specials advantageously priced for January 1912 White Sale.

72-Inch Irish Table Linen, Unbleached, 75c

Value such as cannot be duplicated at the present time. A beautiful quality that will quickly bleach, and for satisfactory wear cannot be equalled in bleached goods at near this price. Two-yard width, January Sale special, yard 75c. A limited quantity still on sale of that special Unbleached Table Linen of which we have sold so many pieces in the last week. Get your supply early. 62-inch width, January Sale Special, yard 49c.

25 Bordered Tablecloths, \$1.50

Size 68x68-inch, fully bleached Bordered Table Cloths, all pure linen; coronation borders with snowdrop centres, Scotch manufacture; 25 only. January Sale, each \$1.50

36 Teacloths, 85c Each

Size 45x45-inch Hemmed Teacloths, pure linen and thoroughly bleached, in fleur-de-lis design, excellent quality linen. January Sale special, each 85c.

800 Yards Crash Towelling, 11c Yard or 9 1/2 Yards for \$1

Brown Linen Crash Towelling, red border, all pure linen and good value for 12 1/2c yard. 800 yards tomorrow in January White Sale, yard 11c. Or 9 1/2 yards for \$1.00

Also 650 yards red or blue Check Tea Towelling, 24 inches wide, extra good value, fine even quality. 10 yards for \$1.00

10 Dozen Bath Towels, 20c Each

This is a shipment direct from the mills in Manchester, England. Blue and gray color—a splendid Towel—and we advise you to inspect. Come early before they all go. 20c each, or per dozen \$2.25

Linen Counter—West Aisle.

Switches, Puffs, etc., Made From Your Comings. SHAMPOO, With Hairdress, 50c.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM LIMITED

Investigation of Telegraph Rates

General Inquiry by Railway Commission To Be Resumed This Week.

Ottawa, Jan. 7.—The board of railway commissioners resumes its general investigation into the question of commercial telegraph rates tomorrow. Counsel and telegraph officials are gathering here for the important work that is to be undertaken. It is not expected that the inquiry will be finished at this stage. The production of figures and other material by the companies is a leading item in the programme, and much time is needed to review and summarize them. It is very probable that additional hearings may be held at Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg.

PANAMA CANAL WILL NOT HURT THE C. P. R.

Head of System Says Canadian Roads Will Not Suffer by Opening of Ditch.

Montreal, Jan. 8.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy does not think the opening of the Panama Canal will seriously affect the earnings of Canadian railways. In a recent interview he said: "Beyond doubt the opening of the Panama Canal will affect the traffic of the Canadian transcontinental lines as well as the system crossing the United States from the Atlantic to the Pacific, but I do not apprehend any serious loss of net revenue. The rail rates between coast and coast are governed, to an important extent by the cost of the all-water route, with the result that a considerable portion of the through traffic is not particularly profitable. The redistribution of goods from jobbing centres on the Pacific coast yields better returns, and if the use of the Panama Canal has the effect of building up and strengthening these coast cities as distributing points with the more rapid development of the country tributary to the coast that should result, the railway lines will participate in the advantage."

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They do their duty. Cures Constipation, Biliousness, Indigestion, and Sick Headache.

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